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Sir:

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)**

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) applicant in the above-identified U.S. Patent Application respectfully petitions for an extension of time of one (1) month.

The time set for responding to the Office Action that is involved herein and which is dated 8 July 2003, was a shortened statutory period of three months that expired on 8 October 2003. This one (1) month extension of time extends the time set for response to 8 November

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Please charge the fee of one hundred ten dollars (\$110) for granting this Petition to Account No. AF 01-0465. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to the above numbered account.

In accordance with Section 714.01 of the M.P.E.P., the following information is presented in the event that a call may be deemed desirable by the Examiner: Thomas C. Stover, (781) 377-3779.

Respectfully submitted,

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